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Dear Sam:

[redacted] told me recently of your message of congratulations concerning my new appointment. I thank you for the expression. I had wanted to write you earlier to say thanks in written form, but had thought it best to await completion of the confirmation and swearing-in processes.

All of us associated with intelligence, as you well know, have been through an awful lot of agony over the last year or 18 months. We have a chance now to take intelligence into a new kind of future. The future will be marked by a great many problems, but I think there will be an equal number of opportunities. And, I am confident and optimistic about that future.

I hope all goes well for you in New Mexico. If your travels bring you to Washington, by all means, give a call. And, if you do come, don't leave your tennis racket behind.

All the best.

Faithfully yours,

[redacted]

E.H. Knoche

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